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Desired Condition

The road system is managed in a manner that minimizes adverse environmental impacts while providing access necessary for recreation and management needs.
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Identify and implement a minimum road system that can be maintained within anticipated budget constraints.

The road system is maintained to standard.

Objectives

1. In the next 10-15 years decommission approximately xx miles of road to protect, maintain or restore ecosystem elements.

Combine objectives 2 and 3:

2. In the next 10 to 15 years, construct, reconstruct or relocate roads for resource protection, to protect investment, meet use levels, and meet management needs.

4. delete!! Or restate as follows: In the next 10-15 years reduce the road mileage through appropriate treatments that store, decommission or reduce road maintenance levels to respond to budget limitations.

Standards

Set road and motorized trail density standards to ensure big game habitat security, recovery of TES, the protection of species of conservation concern, and achieve TMDL (total maximum daily loads). (These standards should be set by biologists).

Temporary or limited duration roads shall be constructed so as to minimize adverse environmental impacts and are recontoured after project completion.

Stored roads shall not be accessible to public motorized use.

Guidelines

Road decommissioning treatments should be done in a manner that:

Ensures the road is hydrologically disconnected
Soil productivity is restored
Prevents the spread of weeds
Improves wildlife habitat
Is no longer accessible to motorized vehicles